MINUTES

INDIANA BOARD OF FIREFIGHTING PERSONNEL STANDARDS AND EDUCATION

January 23, 2006 10 AM Wayne Twp FD 700 N High School Rd. Indianapolis IN

Room A

A. BOARD MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

Darrick Scott (10 Year Service FF)
Roger Johnson (Fire Marshal)
Joseph Wainscott (Director of Training)
Paul Covington (Officer)
Charles Hall (Citizen)
Jack Kerney (10 Year Service FF)
Jerry Nulliner (Asst. Fire Chief)
Tom Hanify (Officer) (in at 10:10) (out 11:30)

ABSENT

Bernice Clark (Citizen)
Patrick Donoghue (Fire Chief)

C. MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 12TH, 2005 AND STATISTICAL REPORT FROM DECEMBER 2005.

Jerry Nulliner made motion to approve. Rodger Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

D. VARIANCES

1. Robert Lamprecht is requesting a variance for Fire Officer Strategy and Tactics, 655 IAC 1-2.1-7.1. Attended the National Fire Academy classes.

Staff recommends denial. We have written/practical testing in place.

Paul Covington made a motion to deny to due the fact that is was peace mealed over a 4 year period. Joe Wainscott seconded. Motion passed.

The discussion was as follows:

- * These courses were spread out over several years.
- * The course does not meet the objectives.
- * Why did student wait so long before requesting variance?
- * Discussion about variance requests after a test in place.

2. Steven Thomson requests variances for:

Confined Space Tech 655 IAC 1-2.1-101
Rope Rescue Tech 655 IAC 1-2.1-97
Structural Collapse Rescue Tech 655 IAC 1-2.1-103
Swift Water Rescue Tech655 IAC 1-2.1-107
Trench Rescue Tech 655 IAC 1-2.1-105

Vehicle/Machinery Rescue Tech 655 IAC 1-2.1-99

Training was through the Marion County Task Force.

Staff recommends approval.

Roger Johnson made a motion to approve. Jerry Nulliner seconded. Motion passed.

3. Jarrod Boenne is requesting a variance for Swift Water Rescue Awareness, 655 IAC 1-2.1-76.1. He took the training at the South Bend Rescue course.

Staff recommends approval.

Roger Johnson made a motion to approve. Jerry Nulliner seconded. Motion passed.

4. Josh Kempf is requesting a variance for Fire Officer Strategy and Tactics, 655 IAC 1-2.1-7.1, based on classes from the National Fire Academy and class and the New Albany Fire School.

Staff recommends approval. No testing in place at time of classes.

Roger Johnson made a motion to approve. Jerry Nulliner seconded. Motion passed.

5. Brad Ervin is requesting a variance for Fire Officer Strategy and Tactics, 655 IAC 1-2.1-7.1, based on classes from the National Fire Academy and class and the New Albany Fire School.

Staff recommends approval. No testing in place at time of classes.

Tom Hanify made a motion to approve. Rodger Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

6. Matthew Hand and (7) Edward King are requesting variances for the following:

Confined Space Rescue Awareness 655 IAC 1-2.1-75.3 Confined Space Rescue Operations 655 IAC 1-2.1-100 Confined Space Rescue Technician 655 IAC 1-2.1-101

Rope Rescue Awareness 655 IAC 1-2.1-75 Rope Rescue Operations 655IAC 1-2.1-96 Rope Rescue Technician 655 IAC 1-2.1-97

Structural Collapse Rescue Awareness 655 IAC 1-2.1-75.4 Structural Collapse Rescue Operations 655 IAC 1-2.1-102 Structural Collapse Rescue Technician 655 IAC 1-2.1-103

Swift Water Rescue Awareness 655 IAC 1-2.1-76.1 Swift Water Rescue Operations 655 IAC 1-2.1-106 Swift Water Rescue Technician 655 IAC 1-2.1-107

Trench Rescue Awareness 655 IAC 1-2.1-75.5 Trench Rescue Operations 655 IAC 1-2.1-104 Trench Rescue Technician 655 IAC 1-2.1-105

Wilderness Rescue Awareness 655 IAC 1-2.1-108 Wilderness Rescue Operations 655 IAC 1-2.1-109 Wilderness Rescue Technician 655 IAC 1-2.1-110

Vehicle & Machinery Rescue Awareness 655 IAC 1-2.1-.75.2 Vehicle & Machinery Rescue Operations 655 IAC 1-2.1-98 Vehicle & Machinery Rescue Technician 655 IAC 1-2.1-99

Based on completion of the BERT program. Certified as Hazmat Technician, Advanced EMT and Basic EMT.

Staff has no recommendation at this time.

Tom Hanify recommends tabling requests 6 & 7, for more information. Paul Covington seconded. Program was in 1995, and need information about any additional education since, original course.

Motion passed. Subject tabled for more information.

8. Robert Cultice III, is requesting variance for NIMS Operations, 655 IAC 1-2.1-112, based on Fema IS 200.

Staff recommends approval.

Jerry Nulliner recommends denial. Paul Covington seconded. Motion passed. Needs Awareness before Operations.

9. Daniel Saitta requests a variance for the following:

Confined Space Rescue Awareness
Confined Space Rescue Operations
Confined Space Rescue Technician

655 IAC 1-2.1-75.3
655 IAC 1-2.1-100
655 IAC 1-2.1-101

Based on OSHA training, classes held at Emergency Response to Confined Space Rescue,

Staff recommends approval.

Jerry Nulliner made a motion for approval based on documentation provided. Charles Hall seconded. Motion passed.

E. RECIPROCITY

No requests at this time.

F. STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT – ROGER JOHNSON

Hats off to those that are putting energy into the training. I will pass the rest of my time to Mr. Wainscott.

G. HOMELAND SECURITY TRAINING – DIRECTOR JOSEPH WAINSCOTT JR.

I will pass my time to Mr. Buckman.

H. REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION – SECTION CHIEF TONY PAGANO

No report at this time.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS – ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, JUDGE TEEGARDEN.

1. Jeff Alwine is asking for an appeal to staffs decision to invalidate his Instructor I written/practical test.

Test 05-1063 was to test on August 15, 2005. He did not test until 9-2-05 and test was not returned to this office until 9-19-05. Test was voided due to untimely return. His proctor/evaluator was notified on Sept 15, 2005 but he did not tell his students week of 1-2-06 about this problem.

Staff needs to send a formal letter of denial so that the students will be officially notified of this.

2. Nonfinal order of dismissal Robert Prather, 04-06.

Jerry Nulliner made a motion to pass this order. Darrick Scott Seconded. Motion passed.

3. Kerry O'Haver, non final order 05-04, board decision.

Jerry Nulliner explained that Mr. O'Haver called him prior to filing for variance and Jerry explained to him that the stance of the board was that if there was a written in place, the board was denying the variance request.

Joe Wainscott made a motion to deny variance request for Fire Officer 3. Written and practicals testing in place. Paul Covington seconded. Motion passed.

J. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES Mara Snyder has no comment at this time.
- 2. MEETING DATES FOR 2006.

Larry Hoskins at Ivy Tech would like to hold a meeting at his facility.

Joe Wainscott would like to see a meeting further north and south throughout the year. Possibly at Grissom and Muscatatuck.

Dates are as follows:

March 6, 2006 – Wayne Twp FD

April 10, 2006

May 22, 2006

June 29, 2006 – IVFA - Marriott Hotel, 21st and Shadeland Ave, Indianapolis IN

August 7, 2006

September 18, 2006

October 30 – Firefighter Union Hall

December 11, 2006

Locations are to be announced at a later date.

3. NIMS – JERRY NULLINER

No report at this time. Proposed rule changes will be posted.

4. MANDATORY TRAINING – JOHN BUCKMAN

Mr. Buckman provided copies of proposed lesson plans. This program is in the final stages of development. We will be sending this out to a few instructors for feedback. We hope to have this up and running the first of March. This program involves 4 CD's. Who determines what skills the student needs to performed. A few weeks ago, several people came to Indianapolis and we discussed the practicals required. It was decided that 3 skills should be tested. The SCBA, Don and Doff, SS2-5, PPE SS1, and mount and dismount apparatus SS 49. The written test will remain the same. The question is, do you want a mandatory practical test, and we would like 3 skills for the exam only.

Jerry Nulliner made a motion to accept. Roger Johnson seconded. Motion passed. Mandatory practical skills exam will consist of 3 skills.

5. STANDARD CHANGES – PAUL COVINGTON

The NFPA 472 is a drastic change this year. We are not sure just exact wording, but it will be a major change. A few others are some simple changes but major changes in NFPA 472.

K. NEW BUSINESS

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Tom Hanify made a motion to continue appointments as is. Jerry Nulliner seconded. Motion passed.

2. STATUS OF TASK FORCES, AND FORMING NEW.

There are no standing task forces at this time. The Board has never established this. The board has assigned groups to study a certification, but nothing formal. If the board wants to establish a task force for test validation, it may be a closed door, due to security. All others should be open door meetings.

Joe Wainscott requested that a task force look at certifications. Both the need for all of them, and the requirements for them. Some of them do not have a test in place and what can we do with them.

The board's consensus was the IDHS Training Division should do this and bring a recommendation to the board rather than establish a task force.

3. Jeff Hayes from the J. Everett Light Career Center.

Jeff had a few of his students with him and they spoke about the extensive training that they are put through for this course. They would like some type of certification showing that they had completed the training. They would also like for the Board meeting to be at there location at some time if possible, so that everyone could see there accommodations.

L. MEETING ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 12:20.

Next meeting will be on March 6, 2006, at Wayne Twp. FD, 700 S High School Rd. Indpls IN 10AM